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SUBJECT: GATT AND ROMANIAN TARIFF

REF: A) BUCHAEST 1893

B) EC BRUSSELS 3677

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1. A MISSION OFFICER ON MAY 5 BRIEFED KLEIN, THE EC COMMISSION DIRECTOR FOR RELATIONS WITH STATE TRADING COUNTRIES, ON THE US UNDERSTANDING OF ROMANIA'S POSITION REGARDING THE REPORT OF THE GATT WORKING PARTY ON THE ROMANIAN TARIFF, AS GIVEN IN PARA 2 OF REF C AND PARA 1 OF REF D. WE ALSO SUMMARIZED THE ROMANIAN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY BUCHAREST'S INQUIRIES, AS GIVEN IN PARA 1 OF REF A.

2. KLEIN SAID THAT THE COMMISSION HAD NOT RECENTLY HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH THE ROMANIANS ON THIS SUBJECT;
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INDEED, HE HAD DETECTED SOME ROMANIAN RETICENCE ABOUT

DISCUSSING IT--AN ATTITUDE WHICH MIGHT BE EX-
PLAINED BY THE ROMANIAN CONCERN TO DISCUSS THE MATTER
WITH THE US. AT FIRST GLANCE, HE FELT A WP REPORT
WITH TWO ELEMENTS AS GIVEN IN REF C , PARA 2, MIGHT
BE ACCEPTABLE. THE KEY TO ACCEPTABILITY WOULD BE
THE PHRAISING OF THE "CLARIFICATION" THAT THE FINDING
OF NON-INCONSISTENCY DID NOT RELATE TO THE ISSUE OF
EFFECTIVENESS OF THE TARIFF.

3. KLEIN SAID HE WOULD NOW CHECK HIS FILES, PLUS
DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH KAWAN IN GENEVA. (KAWAN MAY
THEREUPON CONTACT THE MISSION IN GENEVA.) WHILE HE
DID NOT FEEL THAT RESOLUTION OF THIS ISSUE WAS AN
URGENT MATTER, ON THE OTHER HAND, THE COMMISSION
WOULD NOT WANT TO DELAY A SATISFACTORY OUTCOME.MYERSON

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